Article - Transportation

21-1121.

- (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES ONLY TO A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE REGISTERED OR OF A TYPE CAPABLE OF BEING REGISTERED IN THIS STATE AS A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE WITH A MANUFACTURER'S RATED CAPACITY OF 3/4 TON OR LESS, THE GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT OF WHICH DOES NOT EXCEED 7,000 POUNDS.
- (B) (1) SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:
- (I) A VEHICLE TRAVELING AT A SPEED OF NOT MORE THAN 25 MILES PER HOUR; OR

(II) THE TRANSPORTATION OF:

- 1. AN EMPLOYEE TO OR FROM A WORK SITE BY THE EMPLOYER OF THE EMPLOYEE; OR
- 2. <u>AN INDIVIDUAL IN A VEHICLE ENGAGED IN FARMING OPERATIONS.</u>
- (2) THIS SUBSECTION MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED AS TO ELIMINATE APPLICABLE CHILD SAFETY SEAT AND SEAT BELT REQUIREMENTS UNDER §\$22-412.2 AND 22-412.3 OF THIS ARTICLE.
- (B) (C) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT DRIVE A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE ON A HIGHWAY IN THE STATE WHILE A PASSENGER UNDER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS IS RIDING IN AN UNENCLOSED BED OF THE VEHICLE.
- (C) AN INDIVIDUAL UNDER THE AGE OF 16 YEARS MAY NOT RIDE IN AN UNENCLOSED BED OF A CLASS E (TRUCK) VEHICLE WHILE THE VEHICLE IS DRIVEN ON A HIGHWAY IN THE STATE.

27-101.

- (a) It is a misdemeanor for any person to violate any of the provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law unless the violation is declared to be a felony by the Maryland Vehicle Law or by any other law of this State.
- (b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, any person convicted of a misdemeanor for the violation of any of the provisions of the Maryland Vehicle Law is subject to a fine of not more than \$500.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1996.

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